

Wellstone/Feingold Amendment No. 465 (to Amendment No. 358), to improve the provisions relating to assessment completion bonuses. **Page S5026**

Hutchinson Modified Amendment No. 555 (to Amendment No. 358), to express the sense of the Senate regarding the Department of Education program to promote access of Armed Forces recruiters to student directory information. **Page S5026**

Bond Modified Amendment No. 476 (to Amendment No. 358), to strengthen early childhood parent education programs. **Page S5026**

Feinstein Modified Amendment No. 369 (to Amendment No. 358), to specify the purposes for which funds provided under subpart 1 of part A of title I may be used. **Page S5026**

**Tax Relief Reconciliation:** Senate began consideration of H.R. 1836, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 104 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2002, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

Grassley/Baucus Amendment No. 650, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S5030**

Rejected:

By 44 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No. 112), Conrad Amendment No. 654, to accelerate the elimination of the marriage penalty in the standard deduction and 15-percent bracket and to modify the reduction in the marginal rate of tax. **Pages S5042–58**

By 27 yeas to 73 nays (Vote No. 113), Hutchison Amendment No. 659, to begin the phase-in of the elimination of the marriage penalty in the standard deduction in 2002 and to offset the revenue loss.

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By 43 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 114), Schumer Amendment No. 669, to increase the deduction for higher education expenses for certain taxpayers and to increase the tax credit for student loan interest.

**Pages S5059–61, S5062–72, S5075–76**

Pending:

Fitzgerald Amendment No. 670, to provide that no Federal income tax shall be imposed on amounts received by victims of the Nazi regime or their heirs or estates. **Pages S5061–62**

Gregg Amendment No. 656, to provide a temporary reduction in the maximum capital gains rate from 20 percent to 15 percent. **Pages S5072–73**

Carnahan/Daschle Amendment No. 674, to provide a marginal tax rate reduction for all taxpayers.

**Pages S5073–75, S5083**

Collins/Warner Amendment No. 675, to provide an above-the-line deduction for qualified professional development expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers and to allow a credit against income

tax to elementary and secondary school teachers who provide classroom materials. **Pages S5077–83**

Rockefeller Amendment No. 679, to delay the reduction of the top income tax rate for individuals until a real Medicare prescription drug benefit is enacted. **Pages S5083–86**

Bayh Modified Amendment No. 685, to preserve and protect the surpluses by providing a trigger to delay tax reductions and mandatory spending increases and limit discretionary spending if certain deficit targets are not met over the next 10 years.

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Landrieu Amendment No. 686, to expand the adoption credit and adoption assistance programs.

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Graham Amendment No. 687, of a perfecting nature.

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Graham Amendment No. 688, to provide a reduction in State estate tax revenues in proportion to the reduction in Federal estate tax revenues.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill, pending amendments, and certain amendments to be proposed thereto, at 9:30 a.m., on Monday, May 21, 2001, with votes to occur thereon, beginning at 6 p.m.

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#### **Appointments:**

*NATO Parliamentary Assembly:* The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 1928a–1928d, as amended, appointed the following Senators as members of the Senate Delegation to the NATO Parliamentary Assembly during the First Session of the 107th Congress, to be held in Vilnius, Lithuania, May 27–31, 2001: Senators Voinovich, Sarbanes, Mikulski, and Durbin.

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**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Victoria Clarke, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

William J. Haynes II, of Tennessee, to be General Counsel of the Department of Defense.

John E. Robson, of California, to be President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Robert E. Fabricant, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Allen Frederick Johnson, of Iowa, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.